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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully

requested.

١. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claim 11 is cancelled herein without prejudice or disclaimer.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-10 are currently pending

and under consideration.

REJECTION OF CLAIM 11 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(A) AS BEING UNPATENTABLE II.

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Claim 11 is cancelled herein.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection is overcome.

III. CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that each

of the claims patentably distinguishes over the prior art, and therefore defines allowable subject

matter. A prompt and favorable reconsideration of the rejection along with an indication of

allowability of all pending claims are therefore respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge

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